Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Hutterville High School, Hutterville Colony, Stratford, South Dakota, became the first and only accredited high school program within the South Dakota Hutterite Colonies during the 2003-04 academic year; and,

Whereas, Hutterville High School will conduct their first high school commencement exercises on Saturday, May 22, 2004, at 10 a.m. in the high school gymnasium; and,

Whereas, Four seniors will receive their diplomas as members of the Hutterville Class of 2004: Mary Hofer, Naomi Waldner, William Waldner, and Dorthea Wipf; and,

Whereas, South Dakota's young people are our state's best investment in the future and our greatest hope for prosperity; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to recognize the hard work and commitment of these four individuals and congratulate each of them for this accomplishment:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 22, 2004, as

THE FIRST HUTTERITE COLONY COMMENCEMENT DAY

in South Dakota, and I personally join the graduates' families, friends, and classmates in recognizing their accomplishments of the past and promise for the future.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State